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Newsletter for the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the District of Columbia

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## ***“Let’s Celebrate!”***

### ***Festive Garden Party on September 16***

Tickets are selling fast! It’s not too late to join your fellow Dames and their guests for this festive evening of fun and camaraderie that will mark the end of summer and our return to Dumbarton House. The outdoor garden provides the ideal setting for this reception featuring enticing passed hors d’oeuvres, a light buffet, and beverages designed to quench every thirst. Hours are 6 until 8 pm on Thursday, September 16 and the \$75 per person fee will help defray the expenses.

“Let’s Celebrate!” also will be our opportunity to welcome new Dumbarton House Executive Director, Carol Cadou, and her husband, Christopher. Many of our members remember them from her previous time at Mount Vernon, and her biography and photo appear elsewhere in this issue (see page 7). During a very brief program, Carol will be introduced by the Interim Executive Director of Dumbarton House, Laurie Ossman.

An added treat will be the background music provided by Paul Mickey and Peter Robinson, as they play selections from Broadway and the Great American Songbook. Former Princeton classmates, Peter has “tickled the ivories” at the Jefferson Hotel and Paul is married to Dumbarton’s Director of Development, Chris Diamond Mickey.

Invitations were sent out electronically on August 16. Advance reservations are required, and you are encouraged to bring guests. Reservations are being taken by Suzanne Duvall. Your check for \$75 per person should be made out to NSCDA-DC and mailed to Suzanne at 38 Alexander Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. You also may reserve via PayPal (\$3 processing fee for a total of \$78) at [www.paypal.me/nscdadc](http://www.paypal.me/nscdadc).

Special thanks go to our Honorary President, Betsy Nottingham. “Let’s Celebrate!” was her idea, and she has executed all the plans, applying her own creative energy, along with the help of an enthusiastic, small committee. Please contact Betsy with any questions: 202-244-4560 or [betsynottingham@outlook.com](mailto:betsynottingham@outlook.com).



*Toasting the plans for “Let’s Celebrate!” are (L-R) standing: Leslie George, Betsy Nottingham, and Doris Dixon. Seated are Anne Randolph and Mary Johnson.*

## *President's Message*

It is an honor to step back in for another term as President of the DC Society. I'll continue to seek advice from my recent predecessors: Bunny Muir, Ellen Boomer, and Betsy Nottingham. They, and others before them, established a pattern of excellence that guides us as we move forward.

After a year that has been challenging for everyone, we are moving beyond the limits of the pandemic and eagerly embracing opportunities to gather together both at Dumbarton House and in the community itself. Within the pages of the Newsletter are descriptions of lectures, field trips, book clubs, and even a garden party called "Let's Celebrate!" That event will be a very festive special evening, but everything we are doing will celebrate the camaraderie and treasured friendships that are so important to us as DC Dames. I'm grateful to all the dedicated Officers and energetic Committee Chairs whose hard work is reflected in these pages.



I want to express my gratitude to Bunny Muir for serving as your President last year and for successfully steering the DC Society through a very challenging year. We'll always remember all she did to confront unique situations and find solutions to a variety of problems. Another special salute goes to Betsy Nottingham, who has been named our Honorary President. In addition to serving four years as the DC President (2012-2016), Betsy previously was the NJ President. She continues to serve the DC Society as our Historian, as a chair of the Historical Activities Committee, and as the chairman of "Let's Celebrate!" Thanks go to Betsy for being the "Wonder Woman" of the DC Dames.

All 307 of us, plus our 51 Courtesy Dames, are partners in ensuring the ongoing success of the DC Society, and I hope to see many of you participating in the wide range of opportunities available during the coming year.

Marta Miller Dunetz  
President of the DC Society: NSCDA



*Betsy Nottingham (center), the DC Society's new Honorary President, is congratulated by the incoming DC Society President, Marta Miller Dunetz (left), and Bunny Muir, outgoing President.*

## ***Upcoming Programs: Save the Dates!***

### **Robert Leath: “New Adventures with Old Houses” Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**



Millwood Plantation

Robert Leath, the new President of the Classical American Homes Preservation Trust (CAHPT) will present the Linda Mattingly Memorial Lecture on Decorative Arts. Mr. Leath’s illustrated lecture will feature CAHPT’s five nationally acclaimed properties: Edgewater (1825) in Barrytown, NY; George F. Baker House (1920s) in New York City; Ayr Mount (1815) in Hillsborough, NC; Roper House (1838) in Charleston, SC; and Millford Plantation (1839-41) in Pinewood, SC. The trust was established in 1993 by the renowned collector and historic preservationist Richard Hampton Jenrette, Jr. Its mission is to preserve, protect, and open to the public examples of classical American residential architecture, surrounding landscapes and trails, as well as fine and decorative arts of the first half of the 19th Century. Mr. Leath will continue to honor Richard Jenrette’s legacy while envisioning a future for the trust that is sustainable, operationally excellent, and engages a wide array of audiences. Mr. Leath previously served for fifteen years as chief curator and vice president of Collections, Research, and Archaeology for the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts and Old Salem in Winston-Salem, NC. Prior to that time, he held important curatorial positions at Colonial Williamsburg, George Washington’s Fredericksburg Foundation, and the Historic Charleston Foundation.

### **Julien Icher: Founder and President of The Lafayette Trail, Inc. Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.**



Marquis de Lafayette

Julien Icher, Founder and President of The Lafayette Trail, Inc., will present an illustrated lecture about The Lafayette Trail and the extraordinary friend and benefactor of our young nation, the Marquis de Lafayette. Mr. Icher first conceptualized The Lafayette Trail in 2017 while working as a Junior Diplomat at the Consulate General of France in Boston, Massachusetts. In 1824, as America prepared to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and in appreciation for his role in aiding the country during the Revolutionary War, President James Monroe and the U.S. Congress invited General Lafayette to tour America. Mr. Icher’s non-profit organization planned and continues to implement a historic and cultural trail, based on Lafayette’s Farewell Tour of the United States in 1824-1825, which also increases mutual understanding between citizens of France and the United States. The Lafayette Trail documents, maps, places historic markers, and holds dedication ceremonies each time a marker is placed. The project aims to place markers in all 24 states that Lafayette visited, and which made up the entire United States at the time of the Farewell Tour. Marker installations offer an opportunity to educate the public about the national significance of the Tour and the numerous contributions this beloved Frenchman made to America beyond his military service, including as an ahead-of-his-time abolitionist and his deep commitment to universal human rights.

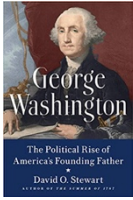
### **Marilla Cushman, Senior Advisor to the President, Military Women’s Memorial (formerly WIMSA) Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.**



In honor of Veterans Day, Marilla Cushman, Senior Advisor to the President, Military Women’s Memorial, who has been with the Memorial since its inception, will speak to us. About to celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2022, the Memorial is a one-of-a-kind tribute to America’s Servicewomen, past and present. It features an education center, interactive exhibits, and a world-class collection of military women’s stories. Its mission is to collect, preserve, document, analyze, and make available the history of women’s service in, and with, the U.S. Armed Forces. Ms. Cushman has a unique perspective about this important organization, which the DC Dames have supported for many years, and she will share interesting facts and anecdotes about its 24 years of honoring women in the military. Located at the Ceremonial Entrance to Arlington National Cemetery, the Memorial occupies a prominent place in the Nation’s Capital as well as being part of sacred ground.



## Looking Ahead:



**Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.**

**David O. Stewart**, author of *George Washington: The Political Rise of America's Founding Father*, will speak about his book that won the prestigious Society of the Cincinnati History Prize. This lecture is in honor of Presidents Day and the Colonial Dames' support for Sulgrave Manor.

## Excursions Committee Plans Autumn Events

Excursions, chaired by Eleanore Boyse, is our newest committee, and it plans day trips, tours, and visits to a variety of interesting places throughout the metropolitan area. Announcements, with sign-up instructions, will be emailed to all members, but here is information on activities already planned. Additional programs will be announced as they are confirmed.

On Thursday, October 7 at 10:00 am, a maximum of 30 guests will be allowed to visit Glenstone in Potomac. This extraordinary 230-acre facility specializes in many forms of contemporary art, and it seamlessly integrates art, architecture, and nature into a serene and contemplative environment. Our previous visit in 2019 filled immediately, and we were encouraged to offer another opportunity to visit once the facility reopened following the pandemic.

Thursday, November 4, there will be a morning tour for 40 of the DACOR Bacon House, followed by lunch at this historic building, located just two blocks from the White House. Completed in 1825, it was built by U.S. Marshall Tench Ringgold. Chief Justice John Marshall is among the former residents, and the final owners were Virginia and Robert Low Bacon. The Bacon House Foundation arranged for the museum and historic home to be used by DACOR, a prestigious organization of foreign service professionals whose careers are defined by international impact. They maintain an ambitious schedule of lectures and programs.



*DACOR Bacon House*

**Save the Date!**

**Dames Christmas Boutique and Tea**

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021**

**11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**Dumbarton House – 2715 Q Street NW**

**~Featuring~**

**Cara Mia Bakery, Carol Somerville Christmas Wreaths, The Christmas Cabinet, Gaucha Chica, Mary Wheeler Beeswax Candles, Meg Carter Designs, Designer Pillows and Screens, Silk Scarves by Deborah de Gorter, Walton Street Stationery, Dumbarton House, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor**

**Suggested Contribution of Item to Fisher House**



## *You're Invited to the NSCDA National Conference!*

There's Nothing Like A Dame!

The NSCDA National Conference Committee invites you to participate in the inaugural National Conference to be held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, Thursday, October 21 through Sunday, October 24, 2021.

A weekend full of exciting programs is planned that will provide the opportunity to socialize and learn more about the important work of The NSCDA and our Corporate Societies.

Friday morning, at the opening session of the conference, Dr. Peter Kastor, Chair of the Department of History at Washington University in St. Louis, will welcome us to St. Louis with stories about its fascinating founding and local lore.

Participants will learn more about what makes St. Louis unique at Friday evening's reception at the Missouri History Museum. Exhibition highlights include: Beyond the Ballot: St. Louis and Suffrage, which showcases stories of diverse, influential women who broke barriers and fought for a voice from the colonial period through the women's suffrage movement up to modern-day; and St. Louis Sound, which explores the history of popular music in St. Louis from the dawn of recorded sound in the late 1800s to the turn of the 21st century.

On Saturday, after a day of meetings, training sessions, and an outing to the Missouri Botanical Garden, participants will enjoy a cocktail reception followed by the National Conference Dinner where we will honor the amazing women who have been nominated to the Roll of Honor this year and we will hear from Dr. Blanche Touhill, the chancellor emerita and professor emerita of history and education at the University of Missouri–St. Louis.

Consider arriving on Wednesday so that you can enjoy an optional tour of the village of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri's oldest town, on Thursday. This carefully preserved early French settlement in the upper Mississippi valley captures the rich history of the region.

The National Conference will be an event you will not want to miss! Invite all the Dames in your life and make connections that will last long after the conference ends.

***For additional information and to Register for the National Conference:***

Enter the "Member Login" Section of the NSCDA Website: [NSCDA.org](http://NSCDA.org)

Username: history

Password: future

The National Conference will be held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel St. Louis. Instructions for making rooms reservations are also on the NSCDA website

***NSCDA National Conference***  
***October 21-24, 2021 – St. Louis, Missouri***  
***Schedule of Events***

***Thursday, October 21st***

8:30AM – 2:00 PM	Day Trip to Ste. Genevieve
3:00PM – 5:00PM	State Society Presidents' Meeting
6:30PM – 9:30 PM	National Board Dinner (National Board Members only)

***Friday, October 22nd***

9:00AM – 10:00AM	Opening Session
10:00AM – 2:00 PM	Tour and Luncheon at the Gateway Arch
2:30PM – 5:00 PM	Educational Sessions
6:00PM – 10:00 PM	Reception at the Missouri History Museum

***Saturday, October 23rd***

7:30AM – 8:00AM	Wellness Event
9:00 AM – 12:00PM	National Board Meeting - Official Business Session The National Board consists of National Executive Officers, Corporate Society Presidents and Standing and Special Committee Chairs
9:00AM – 1:00PM	Sales Tables
10:00AM – 11:30AM	Leadership Training - Special session for Dames not involved with the National Board
1:30:PM – 4:30 PM	Outing to the Missouri Botanical Garden
5:30PM – 6:00 PM	Cocktail Reception for NSCDA Executive Alumnae
6:00PM – 7:00PM	Cocktail Hour
7:00PM – 9:00PM	National Conference Dinner featuring Dr. Blanche Touhill

***Sunday, October 24th***

7:30AM – 8:00AM	Wellness Event
9:00AM – 10:30AM	Traditional Dames Workshops
11:00AM – 12:00PM	Closing Session

[Register at NSCDA.org](https://www.nscda.org) [Member Login](#) Username: history Password: future

***Young Dames:***

On July 21, 2021, the Young Dames had a very nice evening catching up, picnicking, and enjoying "Love and Friendship", based on a Jane Austen novel. We were also able to make a donation to Dumbarton House.

Pictured (left to right): guest Katie Dukewits, Kelly Richmond, Elizabeth Webster, Annie John, Kristen Nunnally, and Stephanie Green



## *Carol Cadou Named Executive Director NSCDA and National Headquarters Dumbarton House*

The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America (NSCDA) is pleased to announce that Carol Cadou will be the Executive Director NSCDA and National Headquarters Dumbarton House on September 7, 2021.

“We are thrilled that Carol has accepted the position of Executive Director of the NSCDA and National Headquarters Dumbarton House. She is a highly skilled, dynamic and proven leader. Carol will build on our organization’s momentum, from the launch of Great American Treasures a year ago to the successful completion of the Comprehensive Campaign and the most recent American Alliance of Museums reaccreditation of the Dumbarton House museum. We are in exceptional hands with Carol as our leader,” said Katherine Cammack, NSCDA National President.



Photo by Maria DeForrest, Courtesy of Winterthur.

Since May 2018, Cadou has served as the first Charles F. Montgomery Director and CEO of Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library. Before joining Winterthur, she spent nearly twenty years at George Washington’s Mount Vernon, first as Curator and later as Senior Vice President for Historic Preservation and Collections. Prior to Mount Vernon, she was the Curator for the Maryland State Art Collection in Annapolis and the Curator of Education and Interpretation at the Historic Charleston Foundation.

“The Dames have been leading the preservation of our nation’s historic sites since 1891. The continued vibrancy and success of this women’s organization represents the remarkable energy and commitment of women across the country,” said Cadou. “I’m looking forward to working with the NSCDA leadership and staff to reach new heights in historic preservation and in teaching American history.”

Cadou is a graduate of Wellesley College, the Sotheby’s American Arts Course, the Winterthur Program in American Material Culture, and in 2019 she received her executive MBA from Ohio University. Her publications range from *The Installation of Historic Architecture at Winterthur Museum* to *The George Washington Collection: Fine and Decorative Arts at Mount Vernon*. Carol’s latest book, *Stewards of Memory: The Past, Present, and Future of Historic Preservation at George Washington’s Mount Vernon*, was released by the University of Virginia Press in 2018.

### *Safety First!*



As the Newsletter goes to press in early August, we cannot anticipate what pandemic protocols might be in place after Labor Day. We always will follow the current regulations regarding masks and social distancing. Our fall meetings and lectures at Dumbarton House will be indoors in the Belle Vue Room or under the large tent on the upper level next to the mansion. We will keep members informed via email.



## *Annual Meeting at Gunston Hall Brings DC Dames Together after Pandemic*

Although a few pandemic limitations remained, the DC Society was able to gather in-person at Gunston Hall on May 19 for its Annual Meeting. Special thanks go to Bunny Muir, the outgoing President. During a year with the unpredictable challenges imposed by mask mandates and stay-at-home orders, she provided the essential leadership needed during extraordinary circumstances.

Highlights of the Annual Meeting included the election of new officers and committee chairs, reports from the Treasurer and Nominating Committee, and Bunny's summary of the year in review. The gavel was passed to the new President, Marta Miller Dunetz, who previously served during 2019-2020. A special moment was the announcement that our extraordinary member Betsy Nottingham was being named our Honorary President.

Following the meeting and a delicious box lunch, there were brief remarks on the extensive restoration efforts related to the Riverside Garden, followed by the opportunity for those attending to visit both the mansion and the garden. Both capture the spirit of George Mason and his family during their many years at Gunston Hall.

In making the arrangements for the Annual Meeting, Bunny worked closely with Mason Bavin, our DC Regent for Gunston Hall, and Hannah Cox, now a member of the Gunston Hall Foundation Board. This talented trio, along with the Gunston staff, made the day a memorable one.



*New Board members (L-R) Jane DeCell, Nina Randolph, Cathy Kerkam, Shelley Rogers, Suzanne Duvall and Sarah Carr*



*Gathered at the Annual Meeting (L-R) are Jane DeCell, Elizabeth McCallie, Mason Bavin, and Ellen Schreiber.*



*(L-R) Mary Johnson, Tish Avery, Nancy Ody and Bunny Muir are pictured at the name tag table.*



## *Report from the Patriotic Service Committee:*

After being in hibernation for over a year, the Committee is pleased to inform our members that the important Naturalization Ceremony at Gunston Hall will be held on Saturday, September 18, 2021, with activities for the candidates and their families starting at 9:30am, the ceremony at 11:00am followed by a reception. The date of this year's ceremony is one day after Constitution Day! For several years, the DC Society has participated in the program by providing financial assistance, supplying table decorations for the reception, and of course, attending the ceremony and being goodwill ambassadors to the newly sworn in U.S. citizens. Since this will be the first PSC sponsored event for over 18 months, we hope to have a good representation from our DC Society at the ceremony.

Mark your calendars for a lecture in recognition of Veterans' Day on Wednesday, November 10th at 10:30 am at Dumbarton House. Marilla Cushman, VP of Development, Military Women's Memorial (WIMSA) will be the speaker.

As described in the article below, the PSC will be making a financial contribution on behalf of the DC Society to the NSCDA National Patriotic Service Committee's partnership with America's VetDogs. Finally, at this year's Christmas tea and boutique on December 8th, the PSC will be collecting voluntary donations of household items for veterans and their families who are residents at the Walter Reed Fisher Houses. The Committee will provide a wish list of needed items in plenty of time before the date of the boutique.

With these and many more upcoming engagements, the Committee is always looking for new members to lend a hand. Please contact co-chairs Gretchen Bukowski ([grbukowski@verizon.net](mailto:grbukowski@verizon.net)) or Sandy Webster ([sdw47tn@gmail.com](mailto:sdw47tn@gmail.com)), if you want to join this active committee devoted to patriotic and educational projects.

## *NSCDA Patriotic Service Committee's Support of American VetDogs*



If you attend the upcoming NSCDA National Conference in St. Louis, you will meet Navy Corpsman Joe Worley and his service dog Galaxie, provided by American VetDogs. Severely wounded in an IED attack in Iraq, Joe has had a service dog since 2008. Joe and Galaxie are attending because our National Patriotic Service Committee recently announced a new nation-wide partnership between American VetDogs and the NSCDA. Among other things, the NSCDA is supporting the training of an American VetDogs puppy, and the naming of the puppy will be a feature of the National Conference. Our DC Society is joining other Societies across the country in donating to the NSCDA America's VetDogs Fund and lending our support to this important new relationship.

America's VetDogs is a fully accredited national Veteran support program that provides service dogs to hundreds of Veterans, active-duty military, and first responders who have incurred a disability resulting from their military service. These highly trained dogs are provided free of charge.

Compared with other service dog programs, America's VetDogs provides services for a wider range of physical and mental challenges. They train and place guide dogs for the blind, hearing dogs for the deaf, facility dogs for Military Hospitals and VA Medical Centers, assistance dogs for those suffering

from PTSD, and service dogs for those with physical impairments. Service dog Sully, who assisted the late George H. W. Bush and later was reassigned to Walter Reed in Bethesda, was trained by America's VetDogs.

## *Military Women's Memorial Site of Memorial Day Wreath Laying*

Although the guests were in socially-distanced seating, the much-anticipated annual Memorial Day wreath laying ceremony was able to be held in person. The Military Women's Memorial of the Women in Military Service For America Foundation (WIMSA) is located at the historic Gateway to Arlington National Cemetery. One feature of this patriotic ceremony is the placing of wreaths by participating organizations, and our NSCDA wreath was placed by Marta Miller Dunetz, President of the DC Society. We have taken part in 23 of the 24 annual ceremonies, which also feature the scattering of memorial rose petals in the circular pond in front of the Memorial.



*Pictured (L-R) are Belle Brent Duchin, Anna Brooke, Anne Randolph, Gretchen Bukowski, Marta Miller Dunetz (President), Kristen Nunnally, Mary Calvert, Hannah Sears, and Kathy Prendergast.*



*Rose petals scattered in the circular pond in front of the Memorial.*

## *Membership Committee: We Love to Welcome New Members! Now is a Great Time to Propose Candidates*

As summer comes to an end, this is the perfect time to be thinking about proposing a friend or family member for membership in the NSCDA DC. With several exciting Dames events coming up this fall (two events each month until the end of the year announced in this newsletter), there will be many opportunities to introduce your proposed candidate. By joining you at an event, she will meet other members and get a sense of the fascinating and fun things we do. The process to propose a new member is not difficult. Simply complete the Proposal for Membership Form, with the name of the candidate's NSCDA approved relative, and the names of the proposer and endorser. If your candidate is not sure about the name of their relative, we can provide contacts who can help her investigate. Next, the proposer and endorser include their letters of support for the candidate. Proposing and endorsing letters should provide information on the candidate such as: how long the proposer and endorser have known her, her interest in joining the DC Dames, and why you think she would be a good addition to the DC Society. As her proposer, your endorsing letter should also identify the NSCDA DC events your candidate has attended (minimum of 2 required). Simply submit the completed package (form and two letters) to the Membership Committee Co-chairs. Emailed letters and forms are fine, as well as typed or handwritten letters scanned in or mailed. After approval by the Board, she has one year to complete her lineage paperwork. For the Membership Proposal Step-by-Step Check List, and a printable or on-line fillable nomination form, contact Membership Co-Chair Doris Dixon at [dorisdixon8@gmail.com](mailto:dorisdixon8@gmail.com) or 202-285-0486. You may also contact Membership Co-chairs Nan Whalen at [glamella.nan@gmail.com](mailto:glamella.nan@gmail.com) or Sarah Carr at [Thirdhaven@aol.com](mailto:Thirdhaven@aol.com) with questions. We are here to support you through the process. We look forward to meeting your candidates!



## Book Clubs Plan Post-Pandemic Life

Last year the chairs of our three book clubs appeared masked and outdoors as they met to plan Zoom meetings and pandemic protocols. Now, a year has passed and what are they doing? The answer is that it depends.

Our Evening Explorers have thrived with their Zoom meetings, which they have continued, along with summer meetings. They appreciate that members can participate while traveling to other states or even abroad (as Gwineth Clarkson did from South America). For September, the Explorers are reading “Wilderness at Dawn: The Settling of the North American Continent” by Ted Morgan.

The Literary Ladies returned to in-person meetings in May with a visit to Helen Curtin’s home in outer Potomac. Participants started their discussion around Helen’s pool, but when skies darkened, the group moved to her spacious barn, home to two horses. For the September meeting, they are reading the Pulitzer Prize winning book “The Hemingses of Monticello” by Annette Gordon-Reed.

In the fall, the History Hounds will resume in-person meetings, and they have decided to meet in a private room at the Irish Inn in Glen Echo. The inn has ample parking and is convenient to those coming from all parts of the area. Over the summer, they have been reading the recent biography “Eleanor” by David Michaelis. But, no matter where they meet, those in all three clubs treasure the camaraderie and close friendships that bind them to one another.



Photos from the Literary Ladies book club meeting (L-R):  
Horses listening in on the discussion in Helen Curtin’s barn; Betsy Nottingham and Kay Glenday; Laura Dreiband; Helen Curtin and Alma Paty

## Society of Colonial Wars Supports NSCDA

The recent NSCDA Comprehensive Campaign benefitted from a generous donation of \$18,000 from the Society of Colonial Wars. A marvelous party in the Dumbarton House Garden in mid-June was attended by both DC Warriors and DC Dames. This festive occasion celebrated the friendship between the two organizations and featured the presentation of a symbolic “big check.” Our DC Dames hope to plan additional future events with the Warriors because they are our treasured partners in patriotism.

*Pictured (L-R) are Chris Diamond Mickey (NSCDA Director of Development), Stephen A. McLeod (Governor, Society of Colonial Wars in DC), Adam Erby (Chair of the SCW-DC Awards Committee), Anne Randolph (NSCDA Campaign Committee), And Marta M. Dunetz (President of the DC Society: NSCDA).*





## *Registrar's Report:*

We currently have 307 active members in the DC Society, 51 courtesy members and 10 candidates working on their lineage papers. Please join us in welcoming our most recent members: Susan Bruce Anthony, Saralee Cowles Boteler, Ann Stephenson Cameron (transfer from OK), Melissa Royds Cook (transfer from FL), Carol Bland Dolson, Margaret McKinnon Gardner, Trudi Bellardo Hahn, Constance Bastine Harriman, Jill Raines Howson, Ashley Ludlow, Sarah Shanklin McComas, Stephanie Starr McCormick-Goodhart, Lisa Dickinson Mountcastle, Kristen Carol Nunnally, Eileen Cassidy Rivera, Judith Houston Robinson, Elizabeth Frost Sainty (transfer from NY), Ellen Carstens Schreiber, Jennifer Olsson Spencer and Patricia Early White.

### *Calendar*

*(Events and meetings held at Dumbarton House unless otherwise noted.)*

#### **2021 Dates:**

Wednesday, September 15, Time TBA	DC Dames Board Meeting (morning)
Thursday, September 16, 6:00PM-8:00PM	“Let’s Celebrate!” Garden Reception
Saturday, September 18, 11:00AM	Naturalization Ceremony at Gunston Hall
Wednesday, September 22, 6:30PM	Robert Leath Lecture, “New Adventures with Old Houses” Decorative Arts Lecture in Memory of Linda Mattingly
Thursday, October 7, 10:00AM	Excursion to Glenstone
Wednesday, October 13, 6:30PM	Julian Icher Lecture, “The Lafayette Trail”
Thursday October 21–Sunday October 24	NSCDA National Conference, St. Louis, MO
Thursday, November 4, Time TBA	Morning excursion to DACOR Bacon House
Wednesday, November 10, 10:30AM	Marilla Cushman, “Military Women’s Memorial”
Wednesday, November 17, Time TBA	DC Dames Board Meeting (afternoon, residence of Betsy Nottingham)
Wednesday, December 8, 11:00AM–2:00PM	Christmas Boutique and Tea

#### **2022 Dates:**

Wednesday, January 19, Time TBA	DC Dames Board Meeting (morning)
Wednesday, February 23, 6:30PM	David O. Stewart Lecture, “The Political Rise of America’s Founding Father”
Wednesday, March 16, Time TBA	DC Dames Board Meeting (morning)
Wednesday, May 18, Time TBA	Annual Meeting of the DC Dames, (location TBA)